बनाए रखने के लिए आई०एल०टी० 512 प्रणाली स्थापित करने हेतु सरकार द्वारा कब अनुमति दी गई थी ;

(ख) किन-किन कठिनाइयों के कारण उक्त प्रणाली को स्थापित और चालू नहीं किया जा सका, ; और

(ग) उक्त प्रणाली को कब तक शुरू किए जाने की संभावना है ?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुखराम) : (क) 1992-93 की अवधि के दौरान ।

(ख) 1992-93 की अवधि के दौरान आई० एल० टी०-512 का संस्थापन अप्रैल, 1993 में उपस्कर विलंब से प्राप्त होने के कारण नहीं किया जा सका ।

(ग) चाल वित्त वर्ष के दौरान ।

Delhi High Court order restricting the discretionary allotment of new telephones

2530. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

SHR N. E. BALARAM:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Delhi High Court has passed an order restricting the discretionary allotment of new telephone connections by the minister to five percent of the total new connections installed in a year;

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto;

(c) who are the persons in the MTNL apart from the Minister having power to grant out-of-turn connections; and

(d) whether Government propose to restrict all such discretionary allotments to certain limit; if so, the details thereof? ....

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Delhi High Court vide its judgement dated the 19th July, 1993 has directed that out of turn allotment of telephones be granted only to 5 percent of the total connections and this number will be calculated on the total numbers of connections granted on the immediate preceding year. The judgement is being studied.

(c) The CGM, MTNL is empowered to sanction telephone connections on out turn priority basis as per the following;

(i) In respect of MPs quota.

(ii) In deserving cases in OYT-S and N-OYT-SS Categories.

(iii) On the basis of recommendations of Members of Telephone Advisory Committees in OYT-G and N-OYT-SPL Categories at the time of bulk release subject to the restriction of 5 per cent of the total release or 100 telephones which ever is lesser.

(iv) In respect of additional telephone lines with incoming facility for public utility services.

(v) Junction lines to PBX and PABX'es in OYT-G category.

(d) Sir, Out of turn telephones are allotted only after objective assessment of the urgent and genuine needs of prospective subscribers.

Telephone facilities in Police Stations of U. P., Bihar and Haryana

2531. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that telephone facilities are not available in several Police Stations in all the districts of Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefore;

(c) whether any concrete programme have been chalked out to provide telephone facilities in all the police stations of all the districts in Uttar Pradesh;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof stating the time by which when telephone facilities will be provided in all the police stations in Uttar Pradesh;

(e) whether any survey has been conducted or is being conducted to know the number of police stations where telephone facilities are not available in other states like Bihar and Haryana; and

(f) if so, what is the number of such police stations in these states and what steps are taken or are likely to be taken by government to provide telephone facilities there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) and (b) Sir, Department of Telecom in U.P. provides telephone connections on demand from the Police Authorities under OYT registration subject to technical feasibility.

(c) Telepnones in Police Stations would be provided subject to technical feasibility as and when such demands are registered by State Government of U.P.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to part (c) above.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise in view of reply to (e) above.

Improper record maintained by the accounts department of Calcutta Telephones

2532. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Calcutta Telephones have been resorting to disconnection of subscribers telephone lines inspite of payment of their telephone bills due to lapses on its accounts departments;

(b) whether subscribers have been representing to the authorities on this count but all in vain;

(c) whether Calcutta Telephones under the charge of General Manager (South) have also been refusing to accept cheques of the subscribers and withholding the same without these being presented to the banks for encashment;

(d) whetner there are any serious lapses in the matter of collection of telephone dues;

(e) if so, the facts and details thereof; and

(f) what steps are being taken by Government to get all the cheques encashed immediately, received from the subscribers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Payment to IDLE workers

2533. PROF. SOURIN BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether dearth of job has led the Telecom. Factory, Calcutta to pay wages and salaries to a large number of idle workers and staff;

(b) whether lack of planning and identifications of items for telecommunication system right on time by the management have caused enough wastage of funds;

(c) whether Government is unable to fix up responsibility for the present state of affairs in the factory on